

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, February 12, 1923.
Hon. R. E. Seagler, Speaker of the
House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled
Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 306, "An Act to authorize, enable and permit the territory situated within the bounds of the Eagle Pass Independent School District in the county of Maverick and State of Texas, and other lands and territory adjacent thereto in Maverick county, to incorporate as an independent district for free school purposes only, to be hereafter known as the Eagle Pass Independent School District, with all the powers, rights, privileges and duties of independent school districts formed by incorporation of territory for free school purposes only; and to provide for an election on the question of divesting the old Eagle Pass Independent School District of control of its public school and title to school properties and vesting the same in the new Eagle Pass Independent School District and its board of trustees; providing for a board of school trustees for the control and management of said independent school district; providing that all funds held for public school purposes and to be used in the territory included in the new district shall be turned over to the trustees of the new district as herein provided may be created; provided that any outstanding bonds or indebtedness of the old district may, upon an election being held in the new district, be paid by a tax duly levied in the new district; providing other incidental provisions, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled, and have this day, at 10:45 o'clock a. m., presented same to the Governor for his approval.

HENDRICKS, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, February 12, 1923.
Hon. R. E. Seagler, Speaker of the
House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled
Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 307, "An Act creating the Brackett Independent School District in Kinney county, Texas; defining its boundaries, including the present Brackett Independent School District; providing for a board of trustees in said district; conferring upon said district and its board of trustees all the rights,

powers, privileges and duties now conferred and imposed by the general laws upon independent school districts and the boards of trustees thereof; providing that the present board of trustees shall continue in office until the expiration of their respective terms and validating their elections; providing that outstanding bonds shall remain chargeable against the territory which voted same; providing for an election for the purpose of assuming said bonded indebtedness by the district as herein created; providing for the appointment of an assessor and collector and board of equalization for said district, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled, and have this day, at 10:45 o'clock a. m., presented same to the Governor for his approval.

HENDRICKS, Chairman.

TWENTY-SIXTH DAY.

(Continued.)

(Tuesday, February 13, 1923.)

The House met at 10 o'clock a. m., and was called to order by Speaker Seagler.

EMPLOYEE OF THE HOUSE.

The Speaker announced the following appointment:

Page to take the place of Stephen Brougher, discharged—Langston Smith.

COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE ELEEMOSYNARY AND REFORM- ATORY INSTITUTIONS.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following committee to investigate eleemosynary and reformatory institutions under simple resolution passed by the House:

Messrs. Beasley, Chairman; Cowen, Lewis, Wallace, Harrington.

ADDRESS BY HON. CHAS. G. THOMAS.

Mr. Quaid offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The Hon. Charles G. Thomas of Denton county, a former distinguished member of this House and Speaker of the Thirty-seventh Legislature, is in the city and within the bar of the House; therefore, be it

Resolved, That he be invited to address the House.

Signed — Quaid, Edwards, Jones, Moore, Rountree.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

In accordance with the above action, the Speaker announced the appointment of the following committee to escort Hon. Chas. G. Thomas to the Speaker's stand:

Messrs. Moore, Quaid, Jones, Rountree and Edwards.

The committee having performed their duty, Speaker Seagler presented Mr. Rountree, who in turn introduced Hon. Chas. G. Thomas.

Hon. Chas. G. Thomas then addressed the House.

HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following House bills, introduced today, were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

By Mr. McNatt and Mr. Fugler:

H. B. No. 501, A bill to be entitled "An Act to limit the weight of wagons or other vehicles drawn or propelled by muscular power which may be operated on the public highways; providing for the issuing of special permits to move or operate vehicles with gross weights greater than those prescribed in this act in certain cases, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

By Mr. Quaid:

H. B. No. 502, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the commissioners courts of Hudspeth and Culberson counties, Texas, to make contracts not in excess of seventy-five dollars per month for services to be performed by the district attorney of the Thirty-fourth Judicial District of Texas."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. McFarlane:

H. B. No. 503, A bill to be entitled "An Act for the protection of those who have filed pre-emption or homestead donation claims on school section 2, S. P. Ry. Co., Certificate 16-58, in Jack county, Texas, by authorizing the original pre-emptors or their assignees in good faith and for value to purchase, and the Commissioner of the General Land Office to sell to them such por-

tions as they own in good faith and for value under said pre-emption or homestead claim at fifty (50) cents per acre, after they have filed field notes in the General Land Office and have met such requirements as the law imposes on the owners of homestead or pre-emption claims and purchasers of school lands desiring patents therefor, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Public Lands and Buildings.

By Mr. Baldwin:

H. B. No. 504, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Southland Independent School District in the counties of Garza, Lynn and Lubbock, in the State of Texas; defining the boundaries thereof; providing for a board of trustees, their election, terms of office, qualifications, powers, duties and authority; authorizing the board of trustees to levy, assess and collect taxes for maintenance and building purposes, and to issue bonds; providing for an assessor and collector of taxes and a board of equalization; providing that said Southland Independent School District shall assume and discharge its pro rata part of any and all bonds, indebtedness and interest thereon now in force against the Slaton Independent School District on terms named in this act; providing that said Southland Independent School District shall assume and discharge all bonds and indebtedness existing against any common school district whose lands are included within the boundaries of the district hereby created; validating and continuing in force any and all taxes heretofore voted and now in force in any of the territory included within the boundaries of Southland Independent School District as created by this act; providing that title to any and all property belonging to said district shall vest in the trustees of the independent school district hereby created; providing for filling vacancies on the board of trustees; providing for a seal for said district; providing that the board of trustees shall be governed by the general laws of Texas in all matters where this act is silent; repealing all laws in conflict herewith; providing that invalidation by the courts of any section or provision of this act shall not invalidate any remaining provisions of this act, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on School Districts.

By Mr. Simpson and Mr. McBride:

H. B. No. 505, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend the Special Road Law for Smith county, Texas, passed at the Regular Session of the Thirty-third Legislature, and known as Chapter 70, Special Laws of the Thirty-third Legislature, by providing that delinquent poll tax payers of Smith county shall be subject to road duty; prescribing penalties for failure to work the roads; providing for the payment of a sum of money in lieu of such road duty; providing how the law is to be enforced, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

By Mr. Merriman:

H. B. No. 506, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3104 so as to provide that no candidate for a State or a district office shall be required to pay not exceeding one dollar as his portion of holding the primary election at which such candidate is seeking nomination, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Privileges, Suffrage and Elections.

By Mr. Burmeister:

H. B. No. 507, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Simmons Independent School District in Live Oak county, Texas; defining its boundaries; providing for a board of trustees; vesting title to all school property within said school district in the trustees; and their successors; charging said district with all indebtedness and the performance of all contracts of the school included within the district; providing that the board of trustees heretofore elected and now serving the Simmons Common School District No. 2, as now existing, shall continue in office for the district hereby created until the expiration of their term and their successors shall have been elected and qualified; authorizing the trustees to exercise all the rights and powers conferred by general laws upon trustees of independent school districts created for school purposes only under the general laws; validating and continuing in force the local maintenance taxes heretofore voted by the voters in the territory included within the district hereby created, by a uniform tax upon the whole district, increase or diminish the same, or until they abolish such taxes in accordance with the general statutes;

providing that if any part of this act is held ineffective or unconstitutional, the remaining part of this act shall not be invalidated; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on School Districts.

By Mr. Burmeister:

H. B. No. 508, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 3 of an act creating the Poteet Independent School District in Atascosa county, Texas, being Chapter 23 of the Acts of the Thirty-third Legislature, Regular Session; providing for the management and control of the public free schools within said district, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on School Districts.

By Mr. Baldwin:

H. B. No. 509, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Levelland Independent School District, in Hockley county, Texas; defining the boundaries thereof; providing for a board of trustees, their election, terms of office, qualifications, powers, duties and authority; authorizing the board of trustees to levy, assess and collect taxes for maintenance and building purposes, and to issue bonds; providing for an assessor and collector of taxes and a board of equalization; providing that said Levelland Independent School District shall assume and discharge its pro rata part of the bonds and interest thereon now in force against the Ropes Independent School District on terms named in this act as well as its pro rata part of other indebtedness; continuing valid and binding obligations of said Ropes Independent School District; validating and continuing in force any and all taxes heretofore voted and now in force in any of the territory included within the boundaries of Levelland Independent School District as created by this act; providing that title to any and all property belonging to said district shall vest in the trustees of the independent school district hereby created; providing for filling vacancies on the board of trustees; providing for a seal for said district; providing that the board of trustees shall be governed by the general laws of Texas in all matters where this act is silent; repealing all laws in conflict herewith; pro-

viding that invalidation by the courts of any section or provision of this act shall not invalidate any remaining provisions of this act, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on School Districts.

By Mr. Jacks:

H. B. No. 510, A bill to be entitled "An Act to increase and fix the salary of the superintendent of public instruction of Dallas county, Texas; providing for office expenses; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Quaid:

H. B. No. 511, A bill to be entitled "An Act to make certain emergency and supplemental appropriations out of the general revenues for the several institutions and departments of the State Government for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1923, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Perdue:

H. B. No. 512, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for an efficient system of road maintenance in Upshur and Camp counties, to prescribe the classification of all public roads in said counties; to define commissioners and county attorney, and the jurisdiction of the county court in relation thereto; to define the qualifications and duties of road overseers, and declaring who shall be subject to road duty or service in said counties and prescribing procedure in trial for non-performance of road duty, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

By Mr. Carpenter:

H. B. No. 513, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Articles 10, 15, 27, 31, 32, 39, 40, 50, 53 and 63 of an act passed at the First Called Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature of the State of Texas, entitled 'An Act creating the office of Game, Fish and Oyster Commissioner,' providing for the protection of fish and other marine life, being S. B. No. 107, Chapter 73, of the General Laws of the said First Called Session; changing certain penalties therein; making necessary changes in

regulations; repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Game and Fisheries.

By Mr. Lane:

H. B. No. 514, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 39, of Chapter 42, General Laws of the First Called Session of the Thirty-seventh Legislature, relative to public roads and highways, so as to except and exempt from the provisions of said chapter the county of Cherokee, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

By Mr. Smith (by request):

H. B. No. 515, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the compensation to the Texas Cherokee Indians and their associate bands for certain lands in East Texas ceded them by the Republic of Texas."

Referred to Committee on Public Lands and Buildings.

By Mr. Carpenter of Dallas:

H. B. No. 516, A bill to be entitled "An Act governing the issuance of teachers' certificates in the teacher training course of the Dallas public schools."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Melson, Mr. Carpenter of Dallas, Mr. Purl and Mr. Irwin:

H. B. No. 517, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the refund by counties, cities, towns and other political subdivisions of the State or county of property ad valorem taxes paid when unlawfully levied or collected; providing that suits may be brought for such taxes, and providing for a period of limitation and abolishing certain defenses; and providing that scripts or other evidence of such reimbursement shall be acceptable in payment of taxes then or thereafter due."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

By Mr. Jones:

H. B. No. 518, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Brackett Independent School District in Kinney county, Texas; defining its boundaries, including the Brackett Independent

School District; providing for a board of trustees in said district; conferring upon said district and its board of trustees all the rights, powers, privileges and duties now conferred and imposed by the general laws upon independent school districts and the boards of trustees thereof; providing that the present board of trustees shall continue in office until the expiration of their respective terms and validating their elections; providing that outstanding bonds shall remain chargeable against the territory which voted same; providing for an election for the purpose of assuming said bonded indebtedness by the district as herein created; providing for the appointment of an assessor and collector and board of equalization for said district; repealing laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on School Districts.

By Mr. Mathes:

H. B. No. 519, A bill to be entitled "An Act validating Consolidated Common School District No. 1 of Castro county, Texas, and validating an issue of bonds heretofore voted by said district, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on School Districts.

By Mr. Mathes and Mr. Hendricks:

H. B. No. 520, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 2, of House bill No. 103, passed by the Thirty-sixth Legislature at the Regular Session, 1919, and approved March 20, 1919, relating to prorating the appropriation for Confederate pensions among the pensioners; provided that women, now widows, who were wives of Confederate soldiers or sailors and who, after the death of such soldiers or sailors, have remarried, may be eligible to the grant of a pension, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Satterwhite:

H. B. No. 521, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1255b, of the Penal Code of 1911, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Satterwhite:

H. B. No. 522, A bill to be entitled

"An Act to prohibit the discharging of rifles on public highways in the State; prescribing penalties for the violation hereof; and providing for the Game, Fish and Oyster Commissioner and his deputies to have jurisdiction in the enforcement hereof, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Carter of Coke and Mr. Green:

H. B. No. 523, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that where the owner, keeper or person in control of any dog accustomed to run, worry or kill goats or sheep, after having notice that such dog is so accustomed to run, worry or kill goats or sheep, permits the same to run at large, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and prescribing punishment therefor, and providing an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Live Stock and Stock Raising.

By Mr. Satterwhite:

H. B. No. 524, A bill to be entitled "An Act conferring upon the State Automatic Tax Board authority to calculate the State tax for public free school purposes, and fix the same at a rate that will yield and produce not exceeding \$15 per capita for all the children within the scholastic age as shown by the scholastic census, within the rate authorized by the Constitution and laws, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

By Mr. Patman and Mr. Price:

H. B. No. 525, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2108, Chapter 20, Title 37, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas; prescribing the number of transcripts of the record to be made."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Jacks:

H. B. No. 526, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 6272, Chapter 2, Title 105, of the General Laws of the State of Texas, as to what constitutes indigency of a Confederate soldier, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Patman and Mr. Price;

H. B. No. 527, A bill to be entitled "An Act prescribing the manner in which clerks of the court of civil appeals shall

furnish copies of the opinions of the court to every party to the suit desiring it."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Martin:

H. B. No. 528, A bill to be entitled "An Act taking certain territory from Common School District No. 16 of Baylor county and annexing the same to and making it part of Common School District No. 14 of Baylor county, and taking the remainder of the territory of said Common School District No. 16 and annexing the same unto Megargel Independent School District of Archer county, and creating the said Megargel Independent School District into a county line independent school district; conferring upon the same the powers now enjoyed by said Megargel Independent School District, and in addition thereto all of the powers which may be enjoyed or exercised by a county line independent school district; and providing for an election to adjust the territory thus attached to said common school district, and the territory thus attached to said independent school district, as to taxes which may be now levied upon said common school district and upon the property of said independent school district, and for an assumption by the said common school district and by said independent school district, respectively, of the pro rata taxes payable by said added territory on account of any outstanding bond issues which may exist against said common school district and against said independent school district, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on School Districts.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION ON FIRST READING.

The following House joint resolution, introduced today, was laid before the House, read first time, and referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments:

By Mr. Patman:

H. J. R. No. 20, Submitting to the people an amendment to the Constitution of Texas, limiting the power of the Legislature to thirty-five cents on the one hundred dollars valuation for such taxation purposes, and five cents for pension purposes; providing for the equalization of taxable values for State

purposes, and for the exemption from payment of ad valorem tax or any other tax on property or privilege upon which a special tax or any other tax is levied; providing that the Legislature cannot exempt from the payment of the ad valorem tax real property, tangible personal property (not including money or credits), and railroad properties (not including intangible values of same); the situs of said property for local taxation purposes to be governed by act of the Legislature; said amendment to be effective on and after January 1, 1926.

SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following Senate bills were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

Senate bill No. 278, to the Committee on Judicial Districts.

Senate bill No. 262, to the Committee on Judicial Districts.

HOUSE BILL NO. 278 ON ENGROSSMENT.

The House resumed consideration of pending business, same being House bill No. 278, relating to water, light, gas and telephone companies, on its passage to engrossment, with amendment by Mr. Pope pending.

Question recurring on the amendment, it was adopted.

Mr. Coffee offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 278, page 2, by striking out all of Section 2, beginning with the word "that" in line 13, down to Section 3, and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"Each person, firm, company, corporation, trustee or receiver furnishing such water, gas, light or telephone service shall make a good and sufficient bond to be approved by the Attorney General for the protection and benefit of said depositor in case of bankruptcy or receivership by such person, firm, company or corporation furnishing said water, gas, light or telephone service."

Signed—Coffee, Brady.

On motion of Mr. Pope, the amendment was tabled.

Mr. Brady offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend the bill at the end of line 28, page 2, by adding the following:

"Provided, however, that the provisions of this act shall not apply to

any city in this State which now has in effect charter provisions or city ordinances regulating the handling and disposition of deposits as described in this act."

Signed—Brady, Coffee.

Mr. Pope moved to table the amendment by Mr. Brady.

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the motion to table prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—87.

Mr. Speaker.	Looney.
Abney.	McBride.
Amsler.	McDonald.
Arnold.	McFarlane.
Atkinson.	McNatt.
Avis.	Mathes.
Baker of Milam.	Maxwell.
Baker of Orange.	Merriman.
Baldwin.	Merritt.
Barker.	Miller.
Barrett.	Montgomery.
Bell.	Morgan
Bonham.	of Liberty.
Burmeister.	Morgan
Carpenter	of Robertson.
of Matagorda.	Pate.
Carson.	Perdue.
Carter of Coke.	Pinkston.
Carter of Hays.	Pool.
Crawford.	Pope.
Culp.	Potter.
Davenport.	Purl.
Davis.	Rice.
Dielmann.	Rogers.
Dodd.	Rountree.
Downs.	Russell of Trinity.
Driggers.	Sackett.
Duffey.	Satterwhite.
Dunn.	Shearer.
Faubion.	Shires.
Fields.	Simpson.
Finlay.	Sparkman.
Frnka.	Stewart
Greer.	of Edwards.
Hardin of Erath.	Stewart of Jasper.
Hendricks.	Stewart of Reeves.
Houston.	Storey.
Howeth.	Thompson.
Irwin.	Thrasher.
Jennings.	Vaughan.
Jones.	Wells.
Lackey.	Westbrook.
Laird.	Wessels.
Lamb.	Williamson.
Lane.	Wilmans.
LeMaster.	Winfree.
Lewis.	Young.

Nays—18.

Beasley.	Carpenter
Brady.	of Dallas.
Bryant.	Chitwood.

Coffee.	Hull.
Collins.	Johnson.
Cowen.	Martin.
Dinkle.	Stevens.
Green.	Sweet.
Henderson	Turner.
of McLennan.	Wilson.

Present—Not Voting.

Blount.	Dunlap.
Covey.	Harris.

Absent.

Bird.	Moore.
Cable.	Patman.
DeBerry.	Patterson.
Durham.	Price.
Edwards.	Quaid.
Fugler.	Quinn.
Gipson.	Robinson.
Henderson	Sanford.
of Marion.	Smith.
Jacks.	Teer.
Loftin.	Wallace.
Melson.	

Absent—Excused.

Bobbitt.	McKean.
Hardin	Rowland.
of Kaufman.	Russell
Harrington.	of Callahan.
Hughes.	Stell.
Kemble.	Stiernberg.
LeSturgeon.	Strickland.
Lusk.	Stroder.
McDaniel.	

House bill No. 278 was then passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 278 ON THIRD READING.

Mr. Pope moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that House bill No. 278 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—93.

Mr. Speaker.	Carter of Coke.
Abney.	Carter of Hays.
Arnold.	Covey.
Atkinson.	Cowen.
Baker of Milam.	Crawford.
Barker.	Davenport.
Bell.	Davis.
Bonham.	DeBerry.
Burmeister.	Dielmann.
Carpenter	Dinkle.
of Dallas.	Dodd.
Carpenter	Downs.
of Matagorda.	Driggers.
Carson.	Duffey.

Dunlap.	Morgan
Dunn.	of Robertson.
Edwards.	Pate.
Fields.	Patterson.
Finlay.	Perdue.
Frnka.	Pinkston.
Green.	Pool.
Greer.	Pope.
Hardin of Erath.	Potter.
Henderson	Purl.
of Marion.	Rice.
Henderson	Rogers.
of McLennan.	Rountree.
Houston.	Russell of Trinity.
Hull.	Sackett.
Irwin.	Satterwhite.
Jennings.	Shearer.
Johnson.	Simpson.
Jones.	Sparkman.
Lackey.	Stevens.
Laird.	Stewart
Lamb.	of Edwards.
Lane.	Stewart of Jasper.
Lewis.	Stewart of Reeves.
Looney.	Thompson.
McBride.	Thrasher.
McDaniel.	Turner.
McDonald.	Vaughan.
McFarlane.	Wells.
McNatt.	Westbrook.
Martin.	Wessels.
Melson.	Williamson.
Merriman.	Wilmans.
Merritt.	Winfree.
Miller.	Young.
Montgomery.	
Morgan	
of Liberty.	

Nays—13.

Barrett.	Harris.
Beasley.	Hendricks.
Bryant.	Mathes.
Chitwood.	Maxwell.
Coffee.	Moore.
Collins.	Wilson.

Absent.

Baldwin.	Loftin.
Bird.	Patman.
Blount.	Price.
Brady.	Quaid.
Cable.	Quinn.
Culp.	Robinson.
Durham.	Sanford.
Faubion.	Shires.
Fugler.	Smith.
Gipson.	Storey.
Howeth.	Sweet.
Jacks.	Teer.
LeMaster.	Wallace.
LeStourgeon.	

Absent—Excused.

Amaler.	Bobbitt.
Avis.	Hardin
Baker of Orange.	of Kaufman.

Harrington.	Russell
Hughes.	of Callahan.
Kemble.	Stell.
Lusk.	Stiernberg.
McKean.	Strickland.
Rowland.	Stroder.

The Speaker then laid House bill No. 278 before the House on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time, and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—102.

Mr. Speaker.	Lamb.
Abney.	Lane.
Arnold.	Lewis.
Atkinson.	Loftin.
Baldwin.	Looney.
Barker.	McBride.
Bell.	McDonald.
Blount.	McFarlane.
Bonham.	McNatt.
Burmeister.	Martin.
Carpenter	Mathes.
of Matagorda.	Maxwell.
Carson.	Melson.
Carter of Coke.	Merriman.
Carter of Hays.	Miller.
Coffee.	Montgomery.
Collins.	Morgan
Cowen.	of Liberty.
Crawford.	Morgan
Culp.	of Robertson.
Davenport.	Pate.
Davis.	Patterson.
DeBerry.	Perdue.
Dielmann.	Pinkston.
Dinkle.	Pool.
Dodd.	Pope.
Downs.	Potter.
Driggers.	Purl.
Duffey.	Rice.
Dunlap.	Rogers.
Dunn.	Rountree.
Durham.	Russell of Trinity.
Edwards.	Sackett.
Faubion.	Satterwhite.
Fields.	Shearer.
Finlay.	Shires.
Frnka.	Simpson.
Greer.	Sparkman.
Hardin of Erath.	Stevens.
Henderson	Stewart
of Marion.	of Edwards.
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of McLennan.	Stewart of Reeves.
Houston.	Storey.
Howeth.	Thompson.
Hull.	Thrasher.
Irwin.	Turner.
Jacks.	Vaughan.
Jennings.	Wallace.
Johnson.	Wells.
Jones.	Westbrook.
Laird.	Wessels.

Williamson. Winfree.
Wilmans. Young.

Nays—13.

Baker of Milam. Lackey.
Barrett. LeMaster.
Beasley. Merritt.
Brady. Moore.
Bryant. Price.
Chitwood. Wilson.
Green.

Present—Not Voting.

Covey. Hendricks.
Harris.

Absent.

Bird. Patman.
Cable. Quaid.
Carpenter Quinn.
 of Dallas. Robinson.
Fugler. Sanford.
Gipson. Smith.
Hughes. Sweet.
Kemble. Teer.

Absent—Excused.

Amsler. McDaniel.
Avis. McKean.
Baker of Orange. Rowland.
Bobbitt. Russell.
Hardin of Callahan.
 of Kaufman. Stell.
Harrington. Stiernberg.
LeSturgeon. Strickland.
Lusk. Stroder.

Mr. Pope moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

BILL ORDERED NOT PRINTED.

On motion of Mr. Barker, House bill No. 499 was ordered not printed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 97 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Stroder, the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 97, A bill to be entitled "An Act prohibiting the teaching of evolution in any of its phases in the public schools or any of our higher educational institutions in the State of Texas, supported in whole or in part by taxation; and prohibiting the members of the State Text Book Commission from adopting or recommending any

text book which teaches the theory of evolution, either directly or indirectly, and for other purposes."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House and it was read second time.

On motion of Mr. Greer, the bill was laid on the table subject to call.

HOUSE BILL NO. 20 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Baker of Milam, the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 20, A bill to be entitled "An Act on the subject of compulsory education, amending Articles 2779a and 2779b of Title 48, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, requiring all children within the scholastic age to attend the public school in the district to which such student may be transferred, for the full period for which the school is conducted; making it the duty of the parent, guardian or person having control, charge or custody of any such child, or children, to send the same to said school for the full period for which the same is conducted, and a failure to do so is punishable as provided in the Penal Code, each day shall constitute a separate offense; defining the classes of children who are exempt from the requirements of the act, and by adding two sections providing the benefit of free text books for such pupils as may be taught in private and parochial schools or by the parent or guardian, or private tutor, and also providing for an examination by the county superintendent or superintendent of an independent school district, or town or city, of such child or children taught other than in public schools and providing that if found deficient on such examination, such superintendent may require the attendance of such child or children upon the public schools; and repealing Article 2779c, Title 48 of the Revised Civil Statutes."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House and it was read second time.

Mr. Baker of Milam offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 20 as follows:

After the word "law," the last word in Section four (4) of the bill, add the following: "Provided that on any ruling or order made by any superintendent in regard to the requiring of attendance of any pupil or pupils upon the public schools, anyone aggrieved at such ruling

may appeal to the County Board of Education, and on adverse ruling by said board, may appeal to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, and to the State Board of Education."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Wells offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 20 by striking out all of Section 1 (line 30, page 1, to line 8, page 2, inclusive).

Mr. Carter of Coke offered the following substitute for the amendment:

Amend House bill No. 20 by adding after subdivision (e), of Article 2779b, subdivision (f) to read as follows:

"(f) Any child or children whose parents are dependent upon them for support; provided that this shall not exempt such children from the present compulsory attendance period of 100 days."

Mr. Wells raised a point of order on consideration of the substitute on the ground that the amendment is not germane to the pending amendment.

The Speaker sustained the point of order.

Mr. Stewart of Edwards moved to table the amendment by Mr. Wells.

Yeas and nays were demanded and the motion to table was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—35.

Baker of Milam.	Looney.
Bonham.	McDonald.
Carpenter	McFarlane.
of Matagorda.	Martin.
Carson.	Merriman.
Carter of Coke.	Merritt.
Collins.	Morgan
Covey.	of Liberty.
Cowen.	Purl.
Davenport.	Rice.
Dinkle.	Russell of Trinity.
Downs.	Satterwhite.
Driggers.	Simpson.
Fields.	Sparkman.
Gipson.	Stewart
Jacks.	of Edwards.
Johnson.	Wessels.
Lamb.	Wilmans.
Loftin.	Winfree.

Nays—65.

Abney.	Cable.
Arnold.	Carter of Hays.
Baldwin.	Chitwood.
Barrett.	Crawford.
Bell.	Culp.
Blount.	Davis.
Bryant.	DeBerry.

Dielmann.	Melson.
Dodd.	Miller.
Duffey.	Morgan
Dunn.	of Robertson.
Durham.	Pate.
Edwards.	Patterson.
Finlay.	Perdue.
Frnka.	Pinkston.
Greer.	Pool.
Henderson	Price.
of Marion.	Quaid.
Henderson	Sackett.
of McLennan.	Shearer.
Houston.	Shires.
Howeth.	Smith.
Hull.	Stevens.
Irwin.	Stewart of Jasper.
Jennings.	Stewart of Reeves.
Jones.	Thompson.
Lackey.	Thrasher.
Laird.	Turner.
Lane.	Wallace.
LeMaster.	Wells.
Lewis.	Westbrook.
McBride.	Williamson.
McNatt.	Wilson.
Maxwell.	Young.

Present—Not Voting.

Hendricks.	Quinn.
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Absent.

Atkinson.	Harris.
Baker of Orange.	Mathes.
Barker.	Montgomery.
Beasley.	Moore.
Bird.	Patman.
Brady.	Pope.
Burmeister.	Potter.
Carpenter	Robinson.
of Dallas.	Rogers.
Coffee.	Rountree.
Dunlap.	Sanford.
Faubion.	Storey.
Fugler.	Sweet.
Green.	Teer.
Harrington.	Vaughan.

Absent—Excused.

Amsler.	McDaniel.
Avis.	McKean.
Bobbitt.	Rowland.
Hardin of Erath.	Russell
Hardin	of Callahan.
of Kaufman.	Stell.
Hughes.	Stiernberg.
Kemble.	Strickland.
LeSturgeon.	Stroder.
Lusk.	

Mr. Blount offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 20 by striking out the enacting clause.

Mr. Wessels moved the previous question on the pending amendments and the bill, and the main question was ordered.

Mr. Crawford moved a call of the House for the purpose of maintaining a quorum pending consideration of House bill No. 20, and the call was duly seconded.

The Speaker then directed the Door-keeper to close the main entrance to the Hall and instructed the Sergeant-at-Arms to lock all other doors leading from the Hall and stated that no member would be permitted to leave the Hall without written permission from the Speaker.

The roll was called and a quorum was announced present.

Mr. Baker of Milam moved to reconsider the vote by which the previous question was ordered.

Mr. Brady moved to table the motion to reconsider.

Yeas and nays were demanded and the motion to table was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—54.

Abney.	Houston.
Barrett.	Hull.
Beasley.	Irwin.
Bell.	Jennings.
Blount.	Loftin.
Brady.	Looney.
Bryant.	Martin.
Burmeister.	Mathes.
Cable.	Maxwell.
Chitwood.	Miller.
Coffee.	Patman.
Crawford.	Patterson.
Davis.	Pinkston.
DeBerry.	Price.
Dielmann.	Quaid.
Dinkle.	Rice.
Dunlap.	Sackett.
Edwards.	Satterwhite.
Fields.	Shearer.
Finlay.	Simpson.
Frnka.	Stevens.
Green.	Stewart of Reeves.
Harris.	Thompson.
Henderson	Vaughan.
of Marion.	Wallace.
Henderson	Williamson.
of McLennan.	Wilson.
Hendricks.	Young.

Nays—61.

Arnold.	Barker.
Atkinson.	Bonham.
Baker of Milam.	Carpenter
Baker of Orange.	of Dallas.
Baldwin.	

Carpenter	Merriman.
of Matagorda.	Merritt.
Carter of Coke.	Montgomery.
Carter of Hays.	Moore.
Covey.	Morgan
Cowen.	of Liberty.
Culp.	Morgan
Davenport.	of Robertson.
Dodd.	Pate.
Driggers.	Perdue.
Duffey.	Pool.
Dunn.	Pope.
Durham.	Purl.
Faubion.	Quinn.
Gipson.	Rountree.
Greer.	Russell of Trinity.
Hardin of Erath.	Shires.
Howeth.	Sparkman.
Jacks.	Stewart of Jasper.
Johnson.	Sweet.
Lackey.	Teer.
Laird.	Thrasher.
Lamb.	Turner.
Lane.	Wells.
LeMaster.	Westbrook.
Lewis.	Wessels.
McFarlane.	Wilmons.
McNatt.	Winfree.

Present—Not Voting.

Stewart
of Edwards.

Absent.

Bird.	Melson.
Carson.	Potter.
Collins.	Robinson.
Downs.	Rogers.
Fugler.	Sanford.
Jones.	Smith.
McBride.	Storey.
McDonald.	

Absent—Excused.

Amsler.	McDaniel.
Avis.	McKean.
Bobbitt.	Rowland.
Hardin	Russell
of Kaufman.	of Callahan.
Harrington.	Stell.
Hughes.	Stiernberg.
Kemble.	Strickland.
LeSturgeon.	Stroder.
Lusk.	

Question then recurring on the motion to reconsider the vote by which the previous question was ordered, yeas and nays were demanded.

The motion to reconsider was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—60.

Arnold.	Baker of Orange.
Atkinson.	Barker.
Baker of Milam.	Bonham.

Carpenter of Matagorda.	Moore.
Carter of Coke.	Morgan
Carter of Hays.	of Liberty.
Cowen.	Morgan
Culp.	of Robertson.
Davenport.	Pate.
Dodd.	Perdue.
Downs.	Pool.
Dunn.	Pope.
Faubion.	Purl.
Fields.	Quinn.
Gipson.	Rice.
Greer.	Rogers.
Hardin of Erath.	Rountree.
Jacks.	Russell of Trinity.
Lackey.	Shearer.
Laird.	Shires.
Lamb.	Sparkman.
Lane.	Stewart
LeMaster.	of Edwards.
McBride.	Stewart of Jasper.
McDonald.	Sweet.
McFarlane.	Teer.
McNatt.	Thrasher.
Melson.	Turner.
Merriman.	Wells.
Merritt.	Westbrook.
Montgomery.	Wilmons.
	Winfree.

Nays—63.

Abney.	Hendricks.
Baldwin.	Houston.
Barrett.	Howeth.
Beasley.	Hull.
Bell.	Irwin.
Blount.	Jennings.
Brady.	Johnson.
Bryant.	Jones.
Burmeister.	Lewis.
Cable.	Loftin.
Carpenter	Looney.
of Dallas.	Martin.
Chitwood.	Mathes.
Coffee.	Maxwell.
Covey.	Miller.
Crawford.	Patman.
Davis.	Patterson.
DeBerry.	Pinkston.
Dielmann.	Price.
Dinkle.	Quaid.
Driggers.	Sackett.
Duffey.	Satterwhite.
Dunlap.	Simpson.
Durham.	Smith.
Edwards.	Stevens.
Finlay.	Stewart of Reeves.
Frnka.	Thompson.
Green.	Vaughan.
Harris.	Wallace.
Henderson	Wessels.
of Marion.	Williamson.
Henderson	Wilson.
of McLennan.	Young.

Absent.

Bird.

Carson.

Collins.	Robinson.
Fugler.	Sanford.
Potter.	Storey.

Absent—Excused.

Amsler.	McDaniel.
Avis.	McKean.
Bobbitt.	Rowland.
Hardin	Russell
of Kaufman.	of Callahan.
Harrington.	Stell.
Hughes.	Stiernberg.
Kemble.	Strickland.
LeStourgeon.	Stroder.
Lusk.	

Question next recurring on the amendment by Mr. Blount, striking out the enacting clause of the bill, yeas and nays were demanded.

The amendment was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—73.

Abney.	Houston.
Baldwin.	Hull.
Barker.	Irwin.
Barrett.	Jennings.
Beasley.	Johnson.
Bell.	Jones.
Blount.	Lackey.
Bonham.	Lewis.
Brady.	Loftin.
Bryant.	Looney.
Burmeister.	McBride.
Cable.	Martin.
Carpenter	Mathes.
of Dallas.	Maxwell.
Chitwood.	Merritt.
Coffee.	Miller.
Collins.	Patman.
Covey.	Patterson.
Crawford.	Pinkston.
Davenport.	Pool.
Davis.	Pope.
DeBerry.	Price.
Dielmann.	Quaid.
Dinkle.	Sackett.
Downs.	Satterwhite.
Dunn.	Shires.
Durham.	Simpson.
Edwards.	Stevens.
Finlay.	Stewart of Reeves.
Frnka.	Storey.
Fugler.	Sweet.
Green.	Thompson.
Harris.	Vaughan.
Henderson	Wallace.
of Marion.	Wessels.
Henderson	Williamson.
of McLennan.	Wilson.
Hendricks.	Young.

Nays—53.

Arnold.

Atkinson.

Baker of Milam.	Moore.
Baker of Orange.	Morgan
Carpenter	of Liberty.
of Matagorda.	Morgan
Carter of Coke.	of Robertson.
Carter of Hays.	Pate.
Cowen.	Perdue.
Dodd.	Potter.
Driggers.	Purl.
Duffey.	Quinn.
Dunlap.	Rice.
Faubion.	Rogers.
Fields.	Rountree.
Gipson.	Russell of Trinity.
Greer.	Shearer.
Hardin of Erath.	Smith.
Howeth.	Sparkman.
Jacks.	Stewart
Laird.	of Edwards.
Lamb.	Stewart of Jasper.
Lane.	Teer.
LeMaster.	Thrasher.
McDonald.	Turner.
McFarlane.	Wells.
McNatt.	Westbrook.
Melson.	Wilmans.
Merriman.	Winfree.
Montgomery.	

Absent.

Bird.	Robinson.
Carson.	Sanford.
Culp.	

Absent—Excused.

Amaler.	McDaniel.
Avis.	McKean.
Bobbitt.	Rowland.
Hardin	Russell
of Kaufman.	of Callahan.
Harrington.	Stell.
Hughes.	Stiernberg.
Kemble.	Strickland.
LeSturgeon.	Stroder.
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Mr. Burmeister moved to reconsider the vote by which the amendment was adopted and to table the motion to reconsider.

Yeas and nays were demanded and the motion to table prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—76.

Abney.	Cable.
Atkinson.	Carpenter
Baldwin.	of Dallas.
Barker.	Carter of Coke.
Barrett.	Chitwood.
Beasley.	Coffee.
Bell.	Collins.
Blount.	Covey.
Brady.	Crawford.
Bryant.	Davenport.
Burmeister.	Davis.

DeBerry.	Mathes.
Dielmann.	Maxwell.
Dinkle.	Miller.
Downs.	Morgan
Dunlap.	of Robertson.
Dunn.	Patman.
Durham.	Patterson.
Edwards.	Pinkston.
Finlay.	Pope.
Frnka.	Price.
Fugler.	Quaid.
Gipson.	Quinn.
Green.	Sackett.
Harris.	Satterwhite.
Henderson	Shearer.
of Marion.	Simpson.
Henderson	Smith.
of McLennan.	Stevens.
Hendricks.	Stewart of Reeves.
Houston.	Storey.
Irwin.	Sweet.
Jennings.	Teer.
Johnson.	Thompson.
Jones.	Vaughan.
Lackey.	Wallace.
Lane.	Westbrook.
Loftin.	Wessels.
Looney.	Williamson.
McBride.	Wilson.
Martin.	Young.

Nays—39.

Arnold.	Merriman.
Baker of Milam.	Merritt.
Baker of Orange.	Moore.
Carpenter	Morgan
of Matagorda.	of Liberty.
Carter of Hays.	Pate.
Cowen.	Perdue.
Dodd.	Pool.
Driggers.	Potter.
Duffey.	Purl.
Fields.	Russell of Trinity.
Greer.	Shires.
Hardin of Erath.	Sparkman.
Howeth.	Stewart
Hull.	of Edwards.
Jacks.	Stewart of Jasper.
Laird.	Thrasher.
Lamb.	Turner.
McFarlane.	Wells.
McNatt.	Wilmans.
Melson.	Winfree.

Absent.

Bird.	McDonald.
Bonham.	Montgomery.
Carson.	Rice.
Culp.	Robinson.
Faubion.	Rogers.
LeMaster.	Rountree.
Lewis.	Sanford.

Absent—Excused.

Amaler.	Bobbitt.
Avis.	Harrington.

Hardin	Rowland.
of Kaufman.	Russell
Hughes.	of Callahan.
Kemble.	Stell.
LeStourgeon.	Stiernberg.
Lusk.	Strickland.
McDaniel.	Stroder.
McKean.	

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Texas, February 13, 1923.

Hon. R. E. Seagler, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed

S. B. No. 83, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 1, Title 15, Revised Penal Code of the State of Texas, by adding thereto Article 101, defining the offense of negligent assault and battery; fixing a penalty therefor, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,

RICHARD BLALOCK,
Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

RECESS.

Mr. Jacks moved that the House adjourn until 2 o'clock p. m. today.

Mr. Davenport moved that the House recess until 2 o'clock p. m. today.

Mr. Merriman moved that the House adjourn until 2:30 o'clock p. m. today.

Mr. Miller moved that the House recess until 2:30 o'clock p. m. today.

Mr. Teer moved that the House recess until 3 o'clock p. m. today.

The motion of Mr. Teer prevailed, and the House, accordingly, at 12:35 o'clock p. m., took recess until 3 o'clock p. m. today.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met at 3 o'clock p. m., and was called to order by the Speaker.

HOUSE BILL NO. 51 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mrs. Wilmans, the regular order of business was suspended, to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 51, A bill to be entitled 'An Act creating the 'Dallas County District Court of Domestic Relations' and restricting the jurisdiction in part and providing for the transfer of cases between the Fourteenth District Court, the Forty-fourth District Court and the

Sixty-eighth District Court; and providing that the Dallas County District Court of Domestic Relations shall have jurisdiction of criminal prosecutions under the Wife and Child Desertion Act; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, and it was read second time.

(Mr. Rountree in the chair.)

Mrs. Wilmans offered the following (committee) amendment to the bill:

Amend Section 1 to read as follows:

Section 1. That there be created in Dallas county a new district court, to be known and designated as the "Dallas County District Court of Domestic Relations." The limits of said court shall be coextensive with the limits of Dallas county, and the jurisdiction of said court is hereby restricted, and said court shall have jurisdiction only for divorce suits for the dissolution of the marriage relation, settlement of property rights under such suits of divorce, and dissolution of marriage relation, and annulment of marriage contracts, suits for the annulment of marriage contracts, suits involving the custody of minor children and such other matters as wherein jurisdiction is expressly conferred by the terms of this act. The statutes of said court and the judge and other officers connected therewith, and the terms for which said judge is elected, shall be as is provided for other district courts of Dallas county, subject only to the express provisions of this act.

Amend Section 2 to read as follows:

Sec. 2. There shall be four terms of the "Dallas County District Court of Domestic Relations," as follows: First, term beginning on the first Monday in January of each year and shall continue in session until the last Saturday before the first Monday in April of each year. The second term beginning on the first Monday in April of each year and shall continue until the last Saturday before the first Monday in July and shall continue until the last Saturday before the first Monday in October of each year and shall continue until the last Saturday before the first Monday in January thereafter.

Amend Section 4 to read as follows:

Sec. 4. The "Dallas County District Court of Domestic Relations" shall have exclusive jurisdiction in Dallas county of all criminal prosecutions arising

under Chapter 101 of the Acts of the Thirty-third Legislature, being Article 640a of the Revised Penal Code, 1920, relating to wife and child desertion.

Amend Section 6 to read as follows:

Sec. 6. That the said court shall be provided with a judge, a clerk and other officers, as now provided for other district courts in Dallas county, and shall be maintained as is now provided by law for the Forty-fourth District Court of Dallas county.

Mrs. Wilmans offered the following amendment to the (committee) amendment:

Amend (committee) amendment No. 1 by striking out the word "statutes" on page 3, line 13, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "status."

The amendment was adopted.

Mrs. Wilmans offered the following amendment to the (committee) amendment:

Amend (committee) amendment by substituting the following:

"There shall be four terms of the Dallas County District Court of Domestic Relations, as follows: First, beginning on the first Monday in January of each year and shall continue in session until the last Saturday before the first Monday in April of each year thereafter. The second term beginning on the first Monday in April of each year and shall continue until the last Saturday before the first Monday in July thereafter. The third term beginning on the first Monday in July of each year and shall continue until the last Saturday before the first Monday in October thereafter. The fourth term beginning on the first Monday of October of each year and shall continue until the last Saturday before the first Monday in January thereafter."

(Speaker in the chair.)

Mr. Purl moved that the bill be laid on the table subject to call.

The motion was lost.

Question then recurring on the amendment by Mrs. Wilmans to the (committee) amendment, it was adopted.

Mr. Rogers offered the following amendment to the (committee) amendment:

Amend House bill No. 51, page 2, line 2, by striking out the word "shall" and insert in lieu thereof the word "may."

The amendment was adopted.

Question then recurring on the (committee) amendment as amended, it was adopted.

Mrs. Wilmans offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 51 by adding thereto the following:

"That if any section, subdivision, sentence or clause in this act shall for any reason be held unconstitutional or void, such provision shall not affect the validity or meaning of any other portion of said act."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Faubion offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 51, page 2, line 2, by inserting the word "jurisdiction" after the word "given."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Greer moved the previous question on the bill, and the main question was ordered.

Question first recurring on the engrossment of the bill, yeas and nays were demanded.

House bill No. 51 was then passed to engrossment by the following vote:

Yeas—75.

Arnold.	Lane.
Atkinson.	LeMaster.
Baker of Milam.	Lewis.
Baker of Orange.	Looney.
Barrett.	McBride.
Bell.	McDonald.
Blount.	McNatt.
Bonham.	Maxwell.
Bryant.	Melson.
Burmeister.	Merriman.
Cable.	Miller.
Carpenter	Montgomery.
of Dallas.	Moore.
Carpenter	Morgan
of Matagorda.	of Liberty.
Carter of Coke.	Morgan
Chitwood.	of Robertson.
Coffee.	Pate.
Cowen.	Patman.
Davenport.	Perdue.
Davis.	Pinkston.
Dinkle.	Potter.
Downs.	Quinn.
Driggers.	Price.
Dunlap.	Rogers.
Dunn.	Russell of Trinity.
Durham.	Sackett.
Faubion.	Satterwhite.
Fields.	Shearer.
Finlay.	Simpson.
Fugler.	Sparkman.
Gipson.	Stewart of Jasper.
Green.	Sweet.
Greer.	Thompson.
Howeth.	Turner.
Irwin.	Vaughan.
Laird.	Wallace.
Lamb.	Wells.

Westbrook.
Wilmans.Winfree.
Young.

Nays—23.

Abney.	Mathes.
Baldwin.	Merritt.
Collins.	Patterson.
Crawford.	Pool.
Dodd.	Purl.
Henderson	Quaid.
of Marion.	Sanford.
Hendricks.	Shires.
Houston.	Storey.
Jacks.	Wessels.
Jennings.	Wilson.
Jones.	

Present—Not Voting.

Barker.	Loftin.
Carson.	Martin.
Culp.	Rice.
DeBerry.	Stewart
Dielmann.	of Edwards.
Frnka.	Stewart of Reeves.
Lackey.	Williamson.

Absent.

Beasley.	Hull.
Bird.	Johnson.
Brady.	McFarlane.
Carter of Hays.	Pope
Covey.	Robinson.
Duffey.	Rountree.
Edwards.	Smith.
Hardin of Erath.	Stevens.
Harris.	Teer.
Henderson	Thrasher.
of McLennan.	

Absent—Excused.

Amsler.	McDaniel.
Avis.	McKean.
Bobbitt.	Rowland.
Hardin	Russell
of Kaufman.	of Callahan.
Harrington.	Stell.
Hughes.	Stiernberg.
Kemble.	Strickland.
LeSturgeon.	Stroder.
Lusk.	

MOTION TO TAKE UP HOUSE BILL
NO. 51.

Mr. Greer moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that House bill No. 51 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion was lost, not receiving the necessary four-fifths votes, by the following vote:

Yeas—74.

Abney.	McDonald.
Arnold.	McNatt.
Baker of Milam.	Martin.
Baker of Orange.	Melson.
Barker.	Merriman.
Barrett.	Merritt.
Bell.	Montgomery.
Bonham.	Moore.
Bryant.	Morgan
Carpenter	of Liberty.
of Matagorda.	Morgan
Carson.	of Robertson.
Carter of Coke.	Pate.
Carter of Hays.	Perdue.
Coffee.	Pinkston.
Cowen.	Pope.
Crawford.	Potter.
Davenport.	Price.
Davis.	Quinn.
DeBerry.	Rice.
Dinkle.	Rogers.
Downs.	Russell of Trinity.
Driggers.	Sackett.
Dunlap.	Satterwhite.
Dunn.	Shearer.
Durham.	Simpson.
Faubion.	Sparkman.
Fields.	Stewart
Frnka.	of Edwards.
Fugler.	Stewart of Jasper.
Gipson.	Sweet.
Greer.	Thompson.
Johnson.	Turner.
Lackey.	Vaughan.
Laird.	Wells.
Lamb.	Westbrook.
Lane.	Wilmans.
LeMaster.	Winfree.
Looney.	Young.
McBride.	

Nays—32.

Baldwin.	Loftin.
Blount.	Mathes.
Burmeister.	Maxwell.
Cable.	Patterson.
Chitwood.	Pool.
Collins.	Purl.
Dodd.	Quaid.
Finlay.	Rountree.
Green.	Sanford.
Henderson	Shires.
of Marion.	Stevens.
Hendricks.	Stewart of Reeves.
Houston.	Storey.
Irwin.	Teer.
Jacks.	Wessels.
Jennings.	Wilson.
Jones.	

Present—Not Voting.

Culp.	Howeth.
Dielmann.	Williamson.

Absent.

Atkinson.	Henderson
Beasley.	of McLennan.
Bird.	Hull.
Brady.	Lewis.
Carpenter	McFarlane.
of Dallas.	Miller.
Covey.	Patman.
Duffey.	Robinson.
Edwards.	Smith.
Hardin of Erath.	Thrasher.
Harris.	Wallace.

Absent—Excused.

Amsler.	McDaniel.
Avis.	McKean.
Bobbitt.	Rowland.
Hardin	Russell
of Kaufman.	of Callahan.
Harrington.	Stell.
Hughes.	Stiernberg.
Kemble.	Strickland.
LeSturgeon.	Stroder.
Lusk.	

Mr. Gipson moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed to engrossment and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE
PENITENTIARY AFFAIRS.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following committee on the part of the House to investigate penitentiary affairs, under House concurrent resolution No. 8:

Messrs. Teer, Patterson, Lackey, Pate and Satterwhite.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER.

The Speaker signed in the presence of the House, after giving due notice thereof and their captions had been read severally, the following enrolled bills:

H. B. No. 103, "An Act in the interest of maternity and infancy welfare and hygiene; accepting the provisions of an act of the United States Congress approved November 23, 1921, entitled 'An Act for the promotion of the welfare and hygiene of maternity and infancy and for other purposes,' commonly known as the Sheppard-Towner Act; providing that the work shall be carried on through the State Board of Health through its bureau of child hygiene."

H. B. No. 1, "An Act appropriating three million five hundred thousand dollars (\$3,500,000) out of the State Treasury to aid and promote all the

public schools of this State for the scholastic year beginning September 1, 1922, and ending August 31, 1923, the same to be distributed as the available school fund is now distributed, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 58, "An Act creating the Krum Independent School District of Denton county, by adding to and making a part of what is known as the Krum Independent School District of Denton certain lands and territories adjoining thereto and situated in Denton county for school purposes only; providing for a board of trustees, giving said board of trustees of said independent district power and jurisdiction over said land and territory and the inhabitants thereof; placing said Krum Independent School District under the general statutes, except as herein expressly provided otherwise, and declaring an emergency."

LEAVE OF ABSENCE GRANTED.

On motion of Mr. Fields, Mr. Harris was excused for this evening, on account of sickness.

RELATING TO ADJOURNMENT
SINE DIE.

Mr. Quaid offered the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 17, Relating to adjournment sine die.

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the Regular Session of the Thirty-eighth Legislature adjourn sine die March 14, 1923, at 12 o'clock noon.

The resolution was read second time.

On motion of Mr. Quaid, the resolution was laid on the table subject to call.

HOUSE BILL NO. 419 ON SECOND
READING.

On motion of Mr. Young, the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 419, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7017, Revised Civil Statutes, 1911, conferring authority upon the commissioners courts of two or more counties to join in the construction of bridges and pay for the same out of the funds of the respective counties, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House and it was read second time.

Mr. Young offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 419 by striking out the word "county" in line 19 and insert the word "counties."

The amendment was adopted.

House bill No. 419 was then passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 419 ON THIRD READING.

Mr. Dielmann moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that House bill No. 419 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—100.

Mr. Speaker.	Jacks.
Arnold.	Jennings.
Atkinson.	Johnson.
Baker of Milam.	Jones.
Baker of Orange.	Lackey.
Baldwin.	Laird.
Barker.	Lamb.
Barrett.	Lane.
Beasley.	LeMaster.
Bell.	Lewis.
Blount.	Loftin.
Bonham.	Looney.
Bryant.	McBride.
Burmeister.	McDonald.
Cable.	McFarlane.
Carpenter	McNatt.
of Dallas.	Martin.
Carson.	Maxwell.
Carter of Coke.	Melson.
Chitwood.	Merriman.
Covey.	Merritt.
Cowen.	Miller.
Crawford.	Montgomery.
Davenport.	Morgan
Davis.	of Liberty.
DeBerry.	Morgan
Dielmann.	of Robertson.
Dinkle.	Pate.
Dodd.	Patterson.
Driggers.	Perdue.
Duffey.	Pinkston.
Dunn.	Pope.
Finlay.	Potter.
Fugler.	Price.
Gipson.	Quaid.
Green.	Quinn.
Greer.	Rogers.
Hardin of Erath.	Rountree.
Henderson	Russell of Trinity.
of Marion.	Sackett.
Henderson	Sanford.
of McLennan.	Satterwhite.
Houston.	Shearer.
Howeth.	Shires.
Irwin.	Simpson.

Sparkman.	Vaughan.
Stewart	Wallace.
of Edwards.	Westbrook.
Stewart of Jasper.	Wessels.
Storey.	Wilmons.
Sweet.	Wilson.
Teer.	Winfree.
Thompson.	Young.
Turner.	

Absent.

Abney.	Harris.
Bird.	Hendricks.
Brady.	Hull.
Carpenter	Mathes.
of Matagorda.	Moore.
Carter of Hays.	Patman.
Coffee.	Pool.
Collins.	Purl.
Culp.	Rice.
Downs.	Robinson.
Dunlap.	Smith.
Durham.	Stevens.
Edwards.	Stewart of Reeves.
Faubion.	Thrasher.
Fields.	Wells.
Frnka.	Williamson.

Absent—Excused.

Amsler.	McDaniel.
Avis.	McKean.
Bobbitt.	Rowland.
Hardin	Russell
of Kaufman.	of Callahan.
Harrington.	Stell.
Hughes.	Stiernberg.
Kemble.	Strickland.
LeSturgeon.	Stroder.
Lusk.	

The Speaker then laid House bill No. 419 before the House on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—104.

Mr. Speaker.	Carter of Coke.
Abney.	Chitwood.
Arnold.	Covey.
Atkinson.	Cowen.
Baker of Milam.	Crawford.
Baker of Orange.	Culp.
Baldwin.	Davenport.
Barker.	Davis.
Barrett.	DeBerry.
Beasley.	Dielmann.
Bell.	Dinkle.
Bonham.	Dodd.
Bryant.	Downs.
Burmeister.	Driggers.
Cable.	Duffey.
Carpenter	Dunn.
of Matagorda.	Durham.
Carson.	Fields.

Finlay.	Morgan
Fugler.	of Robertson.
Gipson.	Pate.
Green.	Patman.
Hardin of Erath.	Patterson.
Henderson	Perdue.
of Marion.	Pinkston.
Henderson	Pope.
of McLennan.	Potter.
Houston.	Price.
Howeth.	Quaid.
Irwin.	Quinn.
Jacks.	Rice.
Jennings.	Rogers.
Johnson.	Rountree.
Jones.	Russell of Trinity.
Lackey.	Sanford.
Laird.	Satterwhite.
Lamb.	Shearer.
Lane.	Shires.
LeMaster.	Simpson.
Lewis.	Sparkman.
Loftin.	Stevens.
Looney.	Stewart
McBride.	of Edwards.
McDonald.	Stewart of Jasper.
McFarlane.	Storey.
McNatt.	Teer.
Martin.	Thompson.
Mathes.	Turner.
Maxwell.	Vaughan.
Melson.	Wallace.
Merriman.	Westbrook.
Merritt.	Wessels.
Miller.	Wilmans.
Montgomery.	Wilson.
Morgan	Winfree.
of Liberty.	Young.

Absent.

Bird.	Hendricks.
Blount.	Hull.
Brady.	Moore.
Carpenter	Pool.
of Dallas.	Purl.
Carter of Hays.	Robinson.
Coffee.	Sackett.
Collins.	Smith.
Dunlap.	Stewart of Reeves.
Edwards.	Sweet.
Faubion.	Thrasher.
Frnka.	Wells.
Greer.	Williamson.
Harris.	

Absent—Excused.

Amsler.	McDaniel.
Avis.	McKean.
Bobbitt.	Rowland.
Hardin	Russell
of Kaufman.	of Callahan.
Harrington.	Stell.
Hughes.	Stiernberg.
Kemble.	Strickland.
LeSturgeon.	Stroder.
Lusk.	

HOUSE BILL NO. 86 ON SECOND
READING.

On motion of Mr. Carpenter of Dallas, the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 86, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 6285 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1920, and providing for the assistance by the county of any mother unable to properly provide for her children, where the father of such children is either dead, in a State institution, or where she is compelled by divorce to have the entire care and custody of such children without assistance from the father."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House and it was read second time.

Mr. Bryant offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 86 by inserting before the words "any woman," in line 17, page 1, the words "Article 6285."

The amendment was adopted.

Mrs. Wilmans offered the following (committee) amendment to the bill:

Amend the caption to House bill No. 86, by adding at the end of said caption the words "and declaring an emergency."

The (committee) amendment was adopted.

Mrs. Wilmans offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend caption by inserting after the words "State institution," the words "insane asylum or penitentiary."

The amendment was adopted.

Mrs. Wilmans offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 86 by striking out the word "8285 1-4," line 15, and inserting therein the word "6285 1-4."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Bonham offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 86, lines 25 and 26, page 1, by striking out the words "shall be entitled to," and insert in lieu thereof "may be allowed."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. McFarlane offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 86, page 1, line 21, by inserting the word "or" after the word "insane," and striking out the words in line 22, "or where by divorce."

Mr. Carpenter of Dallas moved that

the House adjourn until 4:40 o'clock p. m. Tuesday, and the motion was lost.

Mr. Davenport moved the previous question on the pending amendment and the bill, and the motion was duly seconded.

Question recurring on the motion for the previous question, it was lost.

Question recurring on the amendment by Mr. McFarlane, it was lost.

Mr. Burmeister offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend the bill by striking out on page 1, lines 21 and 22, the words "the State Penitentiary."

Mr. Merriman offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 86 by striking out the enacting clause.

The amendment by Mr. Merriman was lost.

Mr. Gipson moved that further consideration of the bill be postponed until 11 o'clock a. m. Friday.

Mr. Carpenter of Dallas moved as a substitute that the bill be laid on the table subject to call.

Question first recurring on the motion of Mr. Carpenter of Dallas to lay the bill on the table subject to call, it prevailed.

Mr. Jones moved that the House adjourn until 5 o'clock p. m. Tuesday, February 13, and the motion was lost.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Texas, February 13, 1923.

Hon. R. E. Seagler, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed

S. B. No. 158, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 33, of the General Laws of the Third Called Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature of 1920, denominated 'An Act to create the Ninety-first Judicial District; fixing its jurisdiction and time of holding court therein; providing for the appointment by the Governor of a judge for said Ninety-first District; providing that the district clerk and county attorney of Eastland county each shall be officers of said Ninety-first District Court and fixing their compensation for services rendered therein; providing for transfer of cases from and to the Ninety-first Judicial District Court and the Eighty-eighth Judicial District Court from one court to the other, requiring

notice of such transfer of cases in certain instances to be given; providing that suits shall be alternately filed in said Ninety-first Judicial District Court of Eastland county, and the Eighty-eighth Judicial District Court of Eastland county; providing that no grand jury in said Ninety-first District Court of Eastland county shall be organized unless it is specially ordered by the judge of the Ninety-first District, providing that from and after the first day of January of the year 1925, said Ninety-first Judicial District Court shall cease to exist; declaring that an emergency requiring the immediate passage of this act."

S. B. No. 204, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the El Carre Independent School District, in Jim Wells county, Texas; defining its boundaries, providing a board of three trustees, and for the election of their successors, investing said district and its trustees with full powers, privileges and duties as provided by general law for school districts incorporated for free school purposes only; investing the trustees with the control of the public schools in said district; authorizing the levy and collection of taxes for certain purposes, authorizing the commissioners court of said county to levy, and the assessor to assess, and the collector to collect, under certain conditions, such taxes as the trustees of said school district shall request, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 42, A bill to be entitled "An Act requiring hotel keepers to post in each room a card or sign stating the price per day for such room; prohibiting any advance in prices within 30 days; compelling hotels to furnish guests with tickets showing prices of rooms; fixing penalty, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 205, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Sheerin Independent School District in Jim Wells county, Texas; defining its boundaries, providing a board of three trustees, and for the election of their successors, investing said district and its trustees with full powers, privileges and duties as provide by general law for school districts incorporated for free school purposes only; investing the trustees with the control of the public schools in said district, authorizing the levy and collection of taxes for certain purposes, authorizing the commissioners court of said county to levy, and the assessor to assess, and the collector to collect,

under certain conditions, such taxes as the trustees of said school district shall request, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 206, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Dilworth Independent School District in Jim Wells county, Texas; defining its boundaries, providing a board of trustees, and for the election of their successors, investing said district and its trustees with full powers, privileges and duties as provided by general law for school districts incorporated for free school purposes only; investing the trustees with the control of the public schools in said district authorizing the levy and collection of taxes for certain purposes, authorizing the commissioners court of said county to levy, and the assessor to assess, and the collector to collect, under certain conditions, such taxes as the trustees of said school district shall request, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 293, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Talpa Independent School District in Coleman county, Texas, including the present Talpa district of said county, providing a board of trustees therefor, vesting said independent school district and board of trustees with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties conferred upon independent school districts incorporated under the general laws of Texas; providing that the board of trustees of the present Talpa district shall continue to act such until their successors are elected in accordance with the general laws of Texas, and declaring an emergency."

And refused to engross Senate bill No. 6 by the following vote: 13 yeas; 15 nays.

Refused to engross Senate bill No. 25 by the following vote: 5 yeas; 20 nays.

And adopted the adverse minority report on Senate bill No. 57 by the following vote: 19 yeas; 9 nays.

Respectfully,

RICHARD BLALOCK,

Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

HOUSE BILL NO. 83 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Pool, the regular order of business was suspended to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 83, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 14 of an act of the Thirty-third Legislature of the

State of Texas, approved April 2, 1913, known as Chapter 106 of the Laws of the Thirty-third Legislature, Regular Session, found in the printed laws on page 195, at page 201, so as to authorize the State Insurance Commission to give credit for a good fire record made by any city, town, village or locality; to repeal all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, it was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

MOTION TO TAKE UP HOUSE BILL NO. 83.

Mr. Lackey moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that House bill No. 83 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion was lost by the following vote, not receiving the necessary four-fifths vote:

Yeas—67.

Mr. Speaker.	Lane.
Arnold.	Lewis.
Baker of Milam.	Looney.
Baker of Orange.	McNatt.
Baldwin.	Merriman.
Barker.	Montgomery.
Beasley.	Morgan
Blount.	of Robertson.
Bryant.	Pate.
Burmeister.	Patterson.
Cable.	Perdue.
Carpenter	Pool.
of Matagorda.	Pope.
Carson.	Potter.
Carter of Coke.	Price.
Collins.	Purl.
Cowen.	Quinn.
Crawford.	Rice.
Davenport.	Rogers.
Dielmann.	Russell of Trinity.
Dinkle.	Sackett.
Dodd.	Shearer.
Durham.	Simpson.
Gipson.	Smith.
Green.	Sparkman.
Greer.	Stewart
Harrington.	of Edwards.
Hendricks.	Stewart of Jasper.
Hull.	Stewart of Reeves.
Irwin.	Thrasher.
Jacks.	Turner.
Jennings.	Wells.
Johnson.	Westbrook.
Lackey.	Wessels.
Lamb.	Williamson.

Nays—35.

Abney.	Bonham.
Bell.	Chitwood.

Covey.	Mathes.
Davis.	Maxwell.
DeBerry.	Merritt.
Downs.	Moore.
Driggers.	Patman.
Duffey.	Pinkston.
Dunn.	Sanford.
Finlay.	Satterwhite.
Henderson	Shires.
of McLennan.	Stevens.
Howeth.	Storey.
Laird.	Vaughan.
LeMaster.	Wallace.
McBride.	Wilmans.
McDonald.	Wilson.
Martin.	Young.

Absent.

Atkinson.	Henderson
Barrett.	of Marion.
Bird.	Jones.
Brady.	Loftin.
Carpenter	McFarlane.
of Dallas.	Melson.
Carter of Hays.	Miller.
Coffee.	Morgan
Culp.	of Liberty.
Dunlap.	Quaid.
Edwards.	Robinson.
Faubion.	Rountree.
Fields.	Sweet.
Frnka.	Teer.
Fugler.	Thompson.
Harris.	Winfree.
Houston.	

Absent—Excused.

Amsler.	McDaniel.
Avis.	McKean.
Bobbitt.	Rowland.
Hardin of Erath.	Russell
Hardin	of Callahan.
of Kaufman.	Stell.
Hughes.	Stiernberg.
Kemble.	Strickland.
LeSturgeon.	Stroder.
Lusk.	

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 11, WITH SENATE AMENDMENTS.

Mr. Beasley called up from the Speaker's table, with Senate amendments, for consideration of the amendments,

H. C. R. No. 11, Relating to penitentiary affairs.

The Speaker laid the resolution before the House and the Senate amendments were read.

On motion of Hr. Beasley, the House concurred in the Senate amendments.

NOTICE GIVEN.

Mr. Vaughan gave notice that he

would tomorrow after 4:30 p. m. call up for consideration at that time House bill No. 308.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. Chitwood moved that the House adjourn until 10 o'clock a. m. Wednesday.

Mr. Greer moved that the House recess to 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

The motion of Mr. Chitwood prevailed, and the House, accordingly, at 5 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. Wednesday.

APPENDIX.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS.

The following committees have filed favorable reports on bills as follows:

Revenue and Taxation—House bills Nos. 213, 303.

Judiciary—House bills Nos. 500, 470, 463, 343, 342; Senate bills Nos. 115, 117, 118, 169.

Municipal and Private Corporations—House bills Nos. 143, 472.

Game and Fisheries—House bills Nos. 499, 513.

Counties—House bill No. 417.

Live Stock and Stock Raising—House bills Nos. 124, 495.

Appropriations—House bills No. 413.

Criminal Jurisprudence—House bill No. 355.

Roads, Bridges and Ferries—House bills Nos. 363, 156.

The following committees have filed unfavorable reports on bills as follows:

Municipal and Private Corporations—House bill No. 163.

Roads, Bridges and Ferries—House bills Nos. 316, 317.

Judiciary—House bills Nos. 482, 483, 479.

Revenue and Taxation—House bills Nos. 303, 127.

Liquor Traffic—House bill No. 253.

Criminal Jurisprudence—House bills Nos. 351, 269, 485, 447.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON
ENGROSSED BILLS.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, February 12, 1923.

Hon. R. E. Seagler, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

H. B. No. 294, A bill to be entitled "An Act to reorganize the Forty-sixth and Forty-seventh Judicial Districts and to create the Ninety-third Judicial District of the State of Texas, and for the appointment of the district judge and district attorney for said Ninety-third Judicial District, providing for holding the district courts and the terms thereof in the Forty-sixth, Forty-seventh and Ninety-third Judicial Districts, respectively, and providing that all process and writs heretofore issued, and all recognizances and bonds heretofore made and executed and returnable to existing terms of district court in the counties comprising said districts, together with jurors heretofore selected, are valid and returnable to the first term of such court after this act takes effect, and providing for the continuation of the existing district courts in said counties in session when this act takes effect, to the end of their terms, repealing all conflicting laws, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
DINKLE, Chairman.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED BILLS.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, February 13, 1923.
Hon. R. E. Seagler, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 1, "An Act appropriating three million (\$3,000,000) dollars out of the State Treasury to aid and promote all the public schools of this State for the scholastic year beginning September 1, 1922, and ending August 31, 1923; providing for the distribution of same for certain purposes as available funds are now distributed; providing a penalty for violation of provision of the act, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled, and have this day, at 4:40 o'clock p. m., presented same to the Governor for his approval.

HENDRICKS, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, February 13, 1923.
Hon. R. E. Seagler, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 58, "An Act creating the

Krum Independent School District of Denton county, by adding to and making a part of what is known as the Krum Independent School District of Denton county certain lands and territories adjoining thereto and situated in Denton county for school purposes only; providing for a board of trustees, giving said board of trustees of said independent district power and jurisdiction over said land and territory and the inhabitants thereof; placing said Krum Independent School District under the general statutes, except as herein expressly provided otherwise, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled, and have this day, at 4:40 o'clock p. m., presented same to the Governor for his approval.

HENDRICKS, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, February 13, 1923.
Hon. R. E. Seagler, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 103, "An Act for the interest of maternity and infancy welfare and hygiene; accepting the provisions of an act of the United States Congress approved November 23, 1921, entitled 'An Act for the promotion of the welfare and hygiene of maternity and infancy and for other purposes,' commonly known as the Sheppard-Towner Act; providing that the work shall be carried on through the State Board of Health through its Bureau of Child Hygiene,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled, and have this day, at 4:40 o'clock p. m., presented same to the Governor for his approval.

HENDRICKS, Chairman.

TWENTY-SEVENTH DAY.

(Wednesday, February 14, 1923.)

The House met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Speaker Seagler.

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Abney.	Baker of Orange.
Amsler.	Barker.
Arnold.	Barrett.
Atkinson.	Beasley.
Baker of Milam.	Bell.